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For: **ORIFICE INTRODUCER DEVICE**

Enclosed are:

1.  12 pages of Specification, 5 pages of Claims and 1 page of Abstract;  
 6 pages of Drawings
2. Applicants hereby claim Small Entity Status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
3. Priority Claim:

The present application under 35 USC 119(e) claims the benefit of provisional application Serial No. 60/400,023 filed July 31, 2002 , which is incorporated herein by reference.

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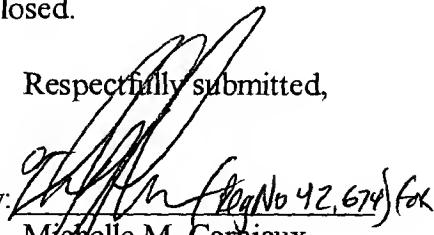
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